

BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS HELD ON
THURSDAY, 15TH SEPTEMBER, 1983 AT 12:00 NOON
IN ROOMS H-762 & H-769, SGW CAMPUS

ATTENDANCE: Present were: Mr. D. W. McNaughton, Chairman, Mr. W. E. McLaughlin, O.C., Chancellor, Mr. M. J. Bourgault, C.M., Dr. R. W. Breen, Dr. J. S. Daniel, Mr. R. Burns, Mr. G. T. Fisher, Me. A. Gervais, Mr. R. L. Grassby, Ms. F. Griffiths, Mr. R. K. Groome, O.C., Dr. S. Hoecker-Drysdale, Dr. M. Hogben, Mr. S. Huza, Mrs. B. J. Lande, C.M., Dr. M. Laroche, Ms. M. Lashley, Mr. F. Longpré, Mr. L. Ian MacDonald, Prof. G. Martin, Ms. S. Murray, Dr. J. W. O'Brien, Dr. T. S. Sankar, Prof. K. Waters, Rev. A. Graham, S.J., Secretary.

Absent with apologies: Mr. Paul E. Martin, Mr. J. J. Pepper.

DOCUMENTS DISCUSSED AND ATTACHED TO THESE MINUTES

BG-83-7-D33	-	CCMS.
BG-83-7-D34	-	Personnel Committee's Report to the Board.
BG-83-7-D35	-	Finance Committee's Report to the Board.
BG-83-7-D36	-	Resolution concerning CCMS Publication.
BG-83-7-D37	-	Planning Report to the Board.
BG-83-7-D38	-	Centre de Recherche Informatique de Montréal Inc.
PC-83-8-D31	-	Breen's Report.
PC-83-8-D32	-	Daniel's Report.
PC-83-8-D33	-	Interim Report - Evaluation Committee: Dean of Fine Arts.

THE CLOSED MINUTES OF THIS MEETING ARE ATTACHED HERETO TO FORM PART HEREOF.

OPEN SESSION

1. Chairman's Remarks

The Chairman repeated his wards of welcome.

2. Minutes of the Open Session

It was moved and seconded (Lande, Murray) and unanimously RESOLVED:

THAT the minutes of the open session of June 16, 1983 be approved.

3. Committee Reports

Communications Committee: The Chairman (L. Ian MacDonald) reported that the Committee is still having problems convincing some sections of the University to adopt the Concordia name.

Nominating Committee: The Chairman (M. Bourgault) reported that one vacancy still remains in the community-at-large membership. He will call a meeting in the near future.

Planning Committee: Document BG-83-7-D37 "Proposal Respecting Strategic Planning" was distributed and discussed by the Vice-Chairman, R. L. Grassby. The Planning Committee has held several meetings during the summer. Mr. Grassby called attention to paragraph 15 and asked the Board to authorize recruiting the person mentioned therein.

A question was asked concerning the need for another body besides the present Planning Committee. Mr. Grassby replied that the present Planning Committee is involved in many areas of planning. It is suggesting that an outside specialist - a person with experience and capable of giving an objective view - should be appointed. Most members of the Planning Committee are community-at-large Board members who have other obligations and who cannot spend more than a limited time at Concordia committee meetings; it is suggested that another committee be authorized to study the matter more extensively.

Dr. Sankar asked if the present document is a response to the request of the Board at the June meeting. The Rector replied that one part of that request would be answered. Dr. Hogben desired assurance that the suggested planning core group would not usurp work that needs to be done by the Planning Committee of the Board and the Board itself. It was moved and seconded (Hogben, Daniel) and unanimously RESOLVED:

THAT the document "Proposal Respecting Strategic Planning" be tabled and considered at the October meeting.

4. Rector's Report

The Rector reported that the government seems close to signing an Order-in-Council giving funds for our proposed buildings. The Department of Education has now given its approval and the Minister of Education has signed the required documents. Three further steps are necessary: (1) the Council of Universities must, by law, give advice on the matter; they have already recommended in favour of our proposal (2) the Treasury Board must approve. It is our understanding that this Board has discussed our proposal and is aware of the steps taken by the Minister of Education; (3) an Order-in-Council must be

passed by the Cabinet. It seems reasonable to expect a final solution within six or eight weeks.

The Department of Education has approved less funds for building than requested in our proposal. Significantly, it has not linked the capital grant for the buildings with a reduction in the amount of money permitted for rented space.

The Rector stressed that we should act as soon as possible after the Order-in-Council; it would seem ridiculous not to start after having persistently requested a grant for many years. It should be understood that the grant will be spread over a five-year period; the government however makes a legal commitment for one year only. If the project is delayed, the government could conceivably decide to modify or cancel it after a year.

5. Prof. Martin's Report

Prof. Martin reported on registration. Although final statistics are not complete, it seems that new admissions in the Arts and Science Faculty and the Engineering Faculty have increased about 15% while the Fine Arts Faculty has remained constant and the Commerce Faculty, due to quota requirements, has decreased. The cumulative increase is about 5% new full-time students and 1 1/2 % new part-time students.

Prof. Martin discussed the on-line course change system and answered questions proposed by the student members of the Board concerning counselling, course change, advisors at registration and similar problems.

It was moved and seconded (Martin, Longpré) and unanimously RESOLVED:

QUE John S. Harrison soit par les présentes autorisé à faire toutes les démarches qu'il jugera nécessaires et à signer, pour et au nom de la corporation, une déclaration à l'effet que depuis le 27 juin 1983, la corporation a cessé de publier une revue trimestrielle sous le nom

"THE MONTREAL BUSINESS REPORT".

QUE telle déclaration soit enregistrée au Greffe de la Paix du district de Montréal conformément et en vertu de la Loi des journaux et autres publications.

6. Dr. Daniel's Report

Dr. Daniel distributed document BG-83-7-D38 and briefly discussed the Centre de Recherche Informatique de Montréal, Inc. It was moved and seconded (Daniel, Waters) and unanimously RESOLVED:

THAT the creation, jointly with McGill University and the Université de Montréal of the CENTRE DE RECHERCHE INFORMATIQUE DE MONTREAL, INC. be approved and the designated appropriate University officers authorized to sign the request for incorporation and represent Concordia on the Conseil & Administration.

Dr. Daniel also discussed an update on the CCMS document BG-83-7-D33.

7. The Secretary stated that during the summer he had been checking on the legal niceties of our method of electing members to the Board and the Corporation. He began by an investigation of our custom of re-electing the members of the Board at the Corporation meeting in June each year. On consulting legal counsel, it seems that this is inadvisable and some other anomalies in our methods came to light.

There is no problem about the legality of our present Board and Corporation; however, it seemed wise to put the election of members on a more solid legal basis.

Therefore the Secretary asked that resolutions be passed - ad cautelam - at to-day's meeting of the Board and the Corporation. He proposed that a consistent procedure be followed in the future.

A list of members of the Corporation and the Board will be distributed - a similar list will be prepared each September.

It was moved and seconded (McNaughton, Murray) and unanimously RESOLVED:

THAT (1) pursuant to Section III, Articles 4 and 6 of the By-laws of Concordia University, the following persons be and they are hereby elected to the Corporation of Concordia University for the period from June 1983 to the time indicated after their name:

Dr. R. W. Breen	Vice-Rector	June 1985
Dr. J. S. Daniel	Vice-Rector	June 1985
Prof. G. Martin	Vice-Rector	June 1986
Mr. W. E. McLaughlin	Chancellor	June 1986
Dr. J. W. O'Brien	Rector	June 1984

- (2) Prof C. Jackson. Assistant Professor in the Dept. of Music, having been duly nominated by the Faculty of Fine Arts, be and is hereby elected a member of the Corporation of Concordia University for a term of one year June 1983 to June 1984. Prof. Jackson will replace Prof. Gabriel-Lacki.

8. The Secretary reported that correspondence had been received from Mr. Brian Mulroney thanking the Board for its letter of congratulations.

9. Date, Time and Place of Next Meeting

After discussion, it was decided that the next meeting will take place on Thursday, 20th October, 1983 at 6:00 p.m., Loyola Campus.

10. Termination

The meeting terminated at 2:20 p.m.

Aloysius Graham, S.J.,
Secretary